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SUBJECT: CAMPESINO LAND INVASIONS

1. AT 2:30 P.M. LOCAL TIME, THE MILITARY GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCED OVER THE NATIONAL RADIO NET THAT SPECIAL COMMISSION FORMED TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE NATIONAL CAMPESINO UNION (UNC) HAS CONTINUED IN NEGOTIATING SESSIONS. THE COMMISSION INFORMED THE UNC THAT THE AGRARIAN REFORM LAW WOULD BE ENFORCED AND RECONFIRMED THAT FOLLOWING THE 48 HOUR PERIOD ENDING AT 1800 HOURS MAY 23 THE CAMPESINOS WOULD BE FORCIBLY EVICTED FROM THE LANDS THEY OCCUPIED.

2. THE ANNOUNCEMENT SAID THAT CAMPESINOS HAVE VOLUNTARILY BEGUN DEPARTURE FROM INVADED LANDS IN THE DEPARTMENTS
OF OLANCHO AND CHOLUTECA. THE GOVERNMENT EXPRESSED
HOPE THAT THIS MEANT THAT ALL CAMPESINOS WOULD
LEAVE OCCUPIED LANDS BEFORE THE GRACE PERIOD
EXPIRED. THE ANNOUNCEMENT RECONFIRMED THAT TROOPS
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WOULD BE USED TO REMOVE CAMPESINOS STILL OCCUPYING INVADED LANDS AT 1800 HOURS.

3. COMMENT: GIVEN THE HIGH DEGREE OF ORGANIZATION

AND DISCIPLINE DEMONSTRATED IN THE LAND INVASIONS, IT IS LIKELY THAT CAMPESINO WITHDRAWALS NOW TAKING PLACE INDICATE THAT THE UNC LEADERSHIP HAS DECIDED TO WITHDRAW FROM ALL OCCUPIED LANDS. SOWASH

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